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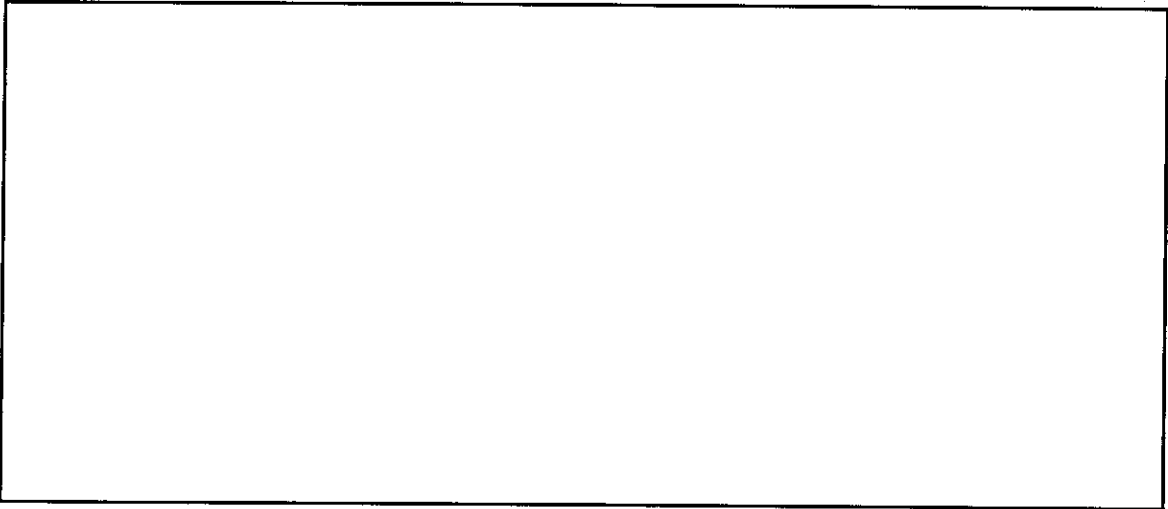
TAGS: PGOV, PTER, PHUM, IT, EG

SUBJECT: EGYPT: [REDACTED] CLERIC ABU OMAR

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Classified By: Minister-Counselor for Economic and Political Affairs
William R. Stewart for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

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2. (C) Abu Omar's lawyer Montasser al-Zayat, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] told journalists on February 12 that
Abu Omar wants to sue former Italian PM Silvio Berlusconi for

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\$13 million in damages. However, according to reports in the Egyptian press, Abu Omar signed a letter upon his release from prison pledging that he would not travel to Italy to testify in Milan court proceedings about his alleged abduction from Italy, and that he promised he will not talk to the media about his case. Abu Omar was quoted in press reports as telling Italy's ANSA news agency on February 12 that, &I am a wreck of a human being. I cannot speak. I cannot leave the country. I do not want to go to prison again.8

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